



Pricing, Discounts, and Awards Frequently Asked Questions

My child received a Financial Aid award for the 2023-2024 school year but did not receive an award for the 2024-2025 school year. Why did this happen?

There are multiple reasons why a Financial Aid award may vary from year to year. Here are some of the most common:

- **Change in Income/Assets:** Financial Aid is awarded based on need. If you have a change in your annual income or total assets, the calculated financial award may be different from one year to the next.
- **Pricing, Discounts, and Awards Updates:** SBA updated the pricing process, including discounts and awards, for 2024-2025. Financial Aid awards are calculated by the FAST platform and are non-negotiable or adjustable. If you were awarded Financial Aid in excess of the FAST recommendation in prior years, you will no longer be eligible for that Financial Aid award.

Can I receive a Financial Aid award or Athletic Scholarship award for my child who participates on a weekend Ski or Snowboard Team?

No. Financial Aid awards are only available for students enrolled in an academic program at SBA. Athletic Scholarship awards are only available to athletes participating in a full-time athletic program. Athletes who participate only in a weekend ski or board team are not eligible for these awards.

My child didn't receive the amount of financial assistance we were hoping for. What are our options?

We understand the investment required for our academic programs can be challenging for families. While we do not adjust need-based Financial Aid awards, we do offer a deferred payment plan that distributes the cost across up to ten months to support your situation. You will see this payment option in your contract.

How do you determine Athletic Scholarship awards? Is my child eligible?

Athletic Scholarship awards are determined by SBA athletic staff based on current program needs and are focused on recruiting and retaining elite athletes. At times, we may build a new program or work to strengthen an existing program, and these programs will receive priority for athletic scholarship awards.

I haven't completed my FAST application yet, but I want to sign the contract early to qualify for the Early Bird Discount. What should I do?

We encourage you to complete the FAST application and wait for your Financial Aid award prior to signing the contract if you require Financial Aid to afford the program. The contract is a binding document that obligates you to pay the program price. If you do not receive the discounts and awards you need to attend the program, you should not sign the contract until you are certain your child will attend.